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Remarks/Arguments

Per the examiners request for correction of a non-compliant amendment under 37 CFR 1.121 filed on Oct 10, 2003, the section "Amendment to the Claims" has been corrected to show the text of the cancelled claim 21.

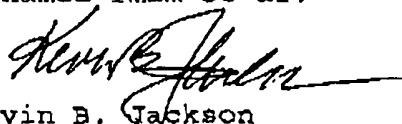
Conclusion

Applicants respectfully request early and favorable acceptance of this application.

While no fee is believed due by responding to this communication, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 501086.

If there are matters that can be discussed by telephone to further the prosecution of this application, applicants invite the examiner to call the undersigned attorney at the examiner's convenience.

Respectfully submitted,  
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